

## BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES.

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### THE OPPORTUNITY.

Citizens of Butler and vicinity, you are offered an opportunity to secure another railroad. The question is, what are you going to do about it?

In Wednesday's issue the TIMES gave you the outlines of the proposition submitted by the representatives of the Ft. Scott, St. Louis & Chicago railway company, to build and operate a railroad through Bates county and Butler. As stated the amount asked for is a subscription of \$60,000 stock and right of way for the whole county, butlers share as divided up by committee, being \$30,000 and right of way from the Marias de cygnes river to the north line of Mount Pleasant township.

The opportunity is therefore presented for your consideration and action. The amount required is not unreasonable, and the importance of the matter is evidently worth a desperate struggle to raise it. The building of one road through our county has made the building of a second all the more necessary. If the L. & S., was worth \$20,000 to Butler, (and no one will deny that it was not,) then the Ft. Scott St. L. & C., is amply worth every dollar and more too of the \$30,000.

The fact of Butler taking upon herself to raise half the amount, may seem at first sight, a little unfair. But on more careful thought upon the subject we are convinced that it is reasonable enough, when taking into consideration the fact that Butler is the center of population and wealth, as well as the capital of the county. And then the territory over which we have to operate is more extended than either Rich Hill or Altona.

Citizens, there will be a meeting at the court house soon, called for the very purpose of testing the question as to how bad you want a railroad. Many of you have often expressed yourselves as disposed to aid the building of a road that had as its backing and which would be operated by the Chicago & Alton railroad company. Now, you have a chance to show your hand; and it must be done quickly and unreservedly. If your heads and hearts are true to the words of your mouth, demonstrate the fact by a free-will generous offering. Remember you are not donating your money, but subscribing it as stock which some day will be worth dollar for dollar.

### MANUFACTURING INTERESTS.

Just at a time when important railroad interests are up to monopolize the time and thought of a community, it is not exactly for the best to introduce new subjects appertaining to matters calculated to divide a centralized effort, but the subject of manufactories is so nearly akin to the railroad subject that we are persuaded to ask a portion of the public's attention.

Last summer it will be remembered, the TIMES contained several articles with reference to the Pinkham, Higley & Co. Plow Manufactory at Hampton Iowa, setting forth a proposition of the firm to locate an establishment of the kind in Butler. Some considerable talk was indulged in but no action taken, hence the

matter went by default as many other enterprises often go.

But Mr. Higley is again in our city, partly on business in connection with the introduction of their plow in this section, and also to locate somewhere in the great Southwest a branch of their manufactory.

It would be well, therefore, for our people to prepare their minds to think carefully over any proposition the firm may make through its representative, and aim, if possible to secure the locating of the establishment here.

It might be stated that Mr. L. G. Henry, and a gentleman whose name we cannot now recall, sold the plow in this county last fall and we believe are still agents for it. It is an implement of excellent merit which can be best explained by those who have used and therefore understand its working.

### THE CITY ELECTION.

Again we ask the city Democratic politicians what about a ticket? If we are to take it straight, it's time something was done.

The time for the election is not far off and the people should know who are aspiring to the different positions. City officials in Butler are becoming important functionaries. An era of improvement is upon us and we want none in office who are not enterprising enough to keep pace with its progress. And above all we want none but men who have at heart the improvement of the whole of the city alike. No sectionalist should be nominated; no one committed to this or that part of town is a competent individual for any city office.

There are men now quietly alluded to for positions who are of this character. For our own part, we say now and hereafter, no such narrow minded men are fit for our support. The interests of the city as a whole is the thing we want city officials to look after. We want no jobs, no packed conventions and hence no bickerings will arise and success of the party and city alike will be assured. What say you gentlemen? Speak out.

### CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

The Carthage Patriot alluding editorially to the formation of Congressional Districts under the new apportionment order of things, suggests the following counties, ten in number, as the Sixth District:

Counties.	Population.
Bates.	25,383
Barton.	10,532
Barry.	14,424
Cedar.	10,747
Dade.	12,557
Jasper.	32,621
Lawrence.	17,585
McDonald.	7,816
Newton.	18,948
Vernon.	19,270

Total 159,982  
The above figures were taken from the census report of 1880, and each county has increased largely in population since the census was taken, especially Bates, Vernon and Jasper.

By reference to the map it will be observed that the above list of counties shows a geographical convenience besides a political status that would make the District very acceptable. Green county concedes that she will be taken from the Sixth District and placed elsewhere, which is all right enough, and joy go with her.

If we understand the wishes of the Democracy of this county, it preters to remain in the Sixth District, or at least desires to be associated with the counties south, let the number be what it may. Of course party interest must prevail, but then Democratic strongholds should be allowed an expression of choice if nothing more, and for our part we shall not hesitate to speak out loud and plain when it does not jeopardize our party's interests.

According to the plan of apportionment adopted by the Wisconsin Legislature, the Democrats will gain at least two members of Congress and a fair chance to get three. Missouri hopes to gain several, which, when added to the gains of several other States, will produce a change in the political representation at Washington.

### WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT.

Commenting upon the position of State Senator from the 14th District, the Cass county Democrat thinks the honors should fall upon some gentleman from that county, and with that view nominates H. M. Bledsoe for the position. Surely we should always be gratified to divide honors, and spoils too when we have any, with our friends up the country, but then you know Bates has a candidate whom she will delight to present and support in the convention. We refer to Hon. J. N. Ballard, who has been favorably spoken of in connection with the position. Judge Ballard is a safe legislator, competent in every particular to perform the duties of Senator and will in all probability be the choice of the Bates county Democracy and doubtless of the district also. There is nothing intended in the above to disparage the claims of Col. Bledsoe and his champion, the Democrat.

### HON. J. N. BRADLEY.

Sedalia Democrat: In another column we publish an editorial from the Butler TIMES, recommending that tried and true Democrat, Maj. J. N. Bradley, as a proper candidate for Congress from the Sixth District. We heartily endorse every word and sentiment in that article. He is eminently worthy of the confidence and support of the Democracy of that District. His private and public character is "without spot or blemish."

We learn that our old-time bachelor friend, Charlie Cressap, is a prominent candidate for the responsible position of Treasurer of Vernon county. There is no man living whom we could congratulate more heartily upon his success in politics, winding ways or otherwise than Chas. M. Cressap. A good business man, absolutely reliable to any extent, and as true a Democrat as ever trod Vernon's soil or stood by her colors in the hour of battle, he is peculiarly fitted for the position to which he aspires. Our only regret is that we have no voice in Vernon county politics.

The State Democratic Central Committee met at the Laclede hotel in St. Louis on Friday last, and after listening to speeches of several prominent Democrats on the advisability of calling the Legislature together to re-district the State, adopted a resolution favoring an extra session by a vote of ten to three against. A committee was appointed to wait upon Gov. Crittenden and inform him of the action of the committee and request him to make the call convening the Legislature.

The Bourbons in Congress struggled gallantly against the bill to suppress polygamy. As long as the Democratic party lives, no relic of barbarism will be without a twin. —Rich Hill Gazette

We should like to have some better evidence as to the correctness of the above assertion than the mere statement of the Gazette.

We understood the Rich Hill Review to favor a special session of the Legislature to re-district the State, but since ex-Gov. Phelps has spoken against it, a change of base is indicated, so supreme is the confidence of the Review in the old gentleman's wisdom.

Western Enterprise: Hon. J. N. Bradley is spoken of as a probable candidate for Congress from the Sixth District. Mr. Bradley is now a member of the State Senate; is a true Democrat, and understands our State government thoroughly.

We acknowledge the receipt of "The Parsons Daily Eclipse," and gladly welcome it to our list of young dailies. It is a neat, six column paper and has been in existence a little over five years.

The Liberty, Clay county, Advance, suggests the counties of Jackson, Cass and Clay as about suitable for a district under the new apportionment. This suits us.

If there is any one reason stronger than another why we should go our whole length for Dr. Lee's insane asylum, it would be for the very charitable benefit of the writer in the Record.

## Furniture and Undertaking

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It is the opinion of many Democrats that the primaries should be held early in order that the candidates' mind may be relieved of too much strain, and to allow as long a time as possible after the primaries to heal any desensations that may arise. How would the first week in June suit the rest of you?

The State Central Democratic Committee met in St. Louis to-day, Friday, at which Gov. Crittenden was present. We may now look for something definite in the matter of convening the Legislature to re-district the State.

We wonder if Hazeltine will be shouldered by the Rads and G. B. n cahoots at the coming election. We believe he deserves it. He has been trying mighty hard to carry water on both shoulders.

The Wool Growers' Association of Missouri will meet at Sedalia on the 5th and 6th of April. Will Bates county have any representatives there? Certainly she ought to.

We are in receipt of a handsomely printed copy of the Fifteenth Annual meeting of the Missouri Press Association. The work was done at the Sedalia Bazaar office.

Do the city politicians want a citizens ticket? We believe they do, but are afraid to say so. However, if you will come up and acknowledge, we will tell it for you.

Senator Teller of Colorado is now spoken of for Secretary of the Interior. Kirkwood will have to step down and out. He is not a Stalwart you know.

From the Stockton Journal, we learn that Ava E. Page of this county, is now delivering Grange lectures in Cedar county.

The Review has served notice on the Democracy that Rich Hill will step in for a share in the selection of a ticket at the primaries.

That sprightly little sheet, the Eldorado News, gives the bona-fide population of that place as about 800.

Will the Record please give the asylum enterprise a few more slaps in the face?

The floods are subsiding and it is believed the crops will be excellent.

The Hapgood Sulky Plow. We will give it to you if it will not run lighter than a walking plow.

Mothers Read This—"My wife and daughter have both been afflicted for several years with a terrible female complaint which kept them prostrated for months at a time. My wife had falling of the womb and leucorrhoea, with extreme nervousness, loss of appetite and general debility, while my daughter had what is termed chlorosis, or green sickness, which affected every organ of the body, becoming pale, feeble, emaciated, and unfit for any duty of life. I spent hundreds of dollars for doctors and patent medicines, without effect for good. I was advised to try Dr. Dromgoole's English Female Bitters, and to my great delight, thirteen bottles cured them sound and well." Thus speaks Mr. Arch Speers, of Mississippi.

### Just Arrived.

A car load of salt, at Charlie Denney's 263-17-11

The Library of Universal Knowledge—A Reprint of Chamber's Encyclopedia. With 3500 Pages of new and Original American Matter added. 1300 pp., 15 vols. S. W. Green's Son, New York.

When the publisher undertook to furnish the American people with a "Library of Universal Knowledge" that should excel all other Cyclopaedias in quantity and variety of information, and at a cost which has no rival in cheapness, the choice of Chamber's Encyclopedia as a basis was wisely made. That work hits the happy medium between the elaborate treatises of the Britannica and the dictionary-like definitions of Encyclopediae of one or two volumes. Its information is succinctly presented, yet with sufficient fullness for all practical purposes, and the information is brought down to the latest date. There is, however, one serious defect in the Chamber's work as in all foreign Cyclopaedias. American subjects are not treated with sufficient fullness, and a large amount of information which every American reader would naturally look for in a work of reference of this character is "conspicuous by its absence." Here is where the American "Library of Universal Knowledge" has such marked advantage. The additional articles, either enlargements or wholly new number over 15,000, bringing the whole number of titles up to more than 40,000, and the volumes from 10 of the Encyclopedia to 15 of the Universal Knowledge. The character of the additions and the increased value of the work may be judged by two illustrations. Opening the first volume accidentally at "Allen," we found in the Chamber's text but one person of that name mentioned, and he a little-known literature of Edinburgh, while the American biographical additions comprises thirteen Allens, all of whom merited record in an American Encyclopedia far more than did the Scotch Allen. Opening at random the 6th volume at the article "Geology," there is found an article of four pages from the Chamber's edition, with an added American article of 27 pages.

To give some further idea of the thoroughness with which the American editors have performed their labors, it may be mentioned that the first 10 pages of the first volume contain 90 subjects, and of this number 35 are transferred from Chamber's and 55 are furnished by the editors. Our readers are invited to inspect this great work at our office, where orders will be received and promptly delivered.

Pleasanton Observer: Dr. Lee informs us that he has entered into a contract with parties in Butler to establish an insane asylum there. They are to raise \$2000, in addition to the 20 acres already donated for a site; and after the building is up he is to put in \$500 with which to furnish it. The donation is to be left in trust with the board of trustees until the end of five years, when he becomes sole owner. The Dr. thinks the corner stone will be laid some time in May. Since undertaking the project he has had 72 genuine applications, and but nine counties have been heard from. In Missouri, so far as heard from, there are 248 insane persons unprovided for, and he expects to receive fully 100 more applications.

If you are suffering from indigestion or any complaint of the Stomach or Bowels, you will obtain great relief by using the Prickley Ash Bitters, as they have the property of gently in reing these organs and placing them in good sound and healthy condition.

### Altona Cintillations.

Monday morning, farming and gardening have been suspended here for the time being, in consequence of the rain that fell last night.

Old Mr. France and lady, living south of town were returning from their daughters the other day, when the buggy capsized with them, and the old lady was considerably hurt.

On last Wednesday night the Rev. Mr. Hutchison, of Springfield, Mo., Grand State lecturer of the order of Good Templers, addressed us on the subject of Temperance. The audience was good for the time of notification. He stated that he had been engaged as an itinerant temperance lecturer, for 33 years. He also stated that he had organized two Good Templers Lodges, in Cass Co., last week, and that there are from 5 to 700 G. T. Lodges in the state of Mo., and that there never was a time in the United States, when there was so much interest exhibited on the subject of Temperance, as there is at the present, and especially, in the State of Mo. His lecture was plain and pointed, but he failed to organize a lodge here, not however for the want of material, but because the object was not thoroughly understood.

Our town was honored on last Saturday, with a visit from Judge Waters, president of the railroad and other officers from abroad. The railroad meeting was quite enthusiastic, it seems, with some exceptions, not important enough to be mentioned, that all we lack of the depot here and the railroad, is the building of them. But you know the old adage, Mr. Editor, that where there's a will there's a way. So it will not be long, before we can jump on the train and run into Butler.

### ITEMIZER.

A great desideratum in the preparation of medicine is that it should be palatable without losing its efficacy. This is the case with Prickly Ash Bitters, and being graded as regards their cathartic properties, they are better adapted for general use than any other similar article. A trial will convince the most skeptical.

### Lost.

On the road between Butler and the residence of Johnson Hill Saturday morning March, 11th, a book and other articles belonging to Rev. T. J. Clagett. Any one finding the same, will confer a favor by leaving them at Pile's drug store, in Butler.

### American Ladies.

The first impression Sara Barnhardt received of the American ladies manifested itself thusly—"Oh! ze ladies, ze are so beautiful, such clear complexion I never see before," all of which is due to the universal use of Swayne's Ointment for skin diseases, which insures a clear and clean complexion, and a healthy color. This recalls to mind the divine precept "cleanliness is next to Godliness."

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The demands made upon the county surveyor for his services in all parts of the county is very great, and if Mr. Wolfe cannot respond to all with readiness, no one should lose patience, for he is going night and day. We deem this statement necessary in order that the people may understand, why, the surveyor is so behind with his work.

### Catarrh Of The Bladder.

Stinging, smarting, irritation of the urinary passages, diseased discharges, cured by Buchupabia. \$1. at druggists. West'n Mo. Depot, Meyers Bros. & Co., Kansas City, o. 240-14-7

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